GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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UDAN Scheme
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Airports Authority of India (AAI) has received a number of proposals from bidders to fly on indigenous routes under the Government scheme UDAN to improve connectivity to small and remote towns and if so, the details thereof and the terms and conditions for allotment of routes;

(b) whether the initial proposal, cover as many as 65 airports of which some are un-served and some are under-served and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has also invited counter bids against these initial proposals and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the scheme is likely to give a major boost to tourism activities and employment generation in hinterland and in Tier II and Tier III cities and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

(a) & (b): Yes madam. List of unserved /underserved airports enclosed at Annexure-I. Routes under RCS Scheme are awarded through a transparent bidding process.

(c): Yes madam. Five counter bids have been received from three bidders.

(d): Yes Madam. As per an ICAO study, "Economic benefits of civil aviation: ripples of prosperity", the output and employment multipliers of aviation are 3.25 and 6.10 respectively.;